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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OREP (ANDERSON, JOHN) EAID SO US

SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN ANDERSON'S VISIT: SOMALI FLAG SHIPPING

1. DURING HIS INITIAL MEETING WITH CONGRESSMAN ANDERSON, VP CULMIE NOTED THAT GSDR HAS DECIDED TO CANCEL SOMALI REGISTRATION OF SHIPS TRADING WITH NORTH VIET-NAM AND CUBA. THIS, HE SAID, WOULD REMOVE THE "EXCUSE" FOR US WITHHOLDING OF AID FROM SOMALIA. CONGRESSMAN ANDERSON SAID THIS ACTION WOULD BE WELCOMED IN CONGRESS. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT THE AMOUNT OF FOREIGN AID CONGRESS WAS PREPARED TO APPROPRIATE WAS GETTING LESS AND LESS EACH YEAR.

2. WHILE CULMIE SAID PRESIDENT SIAD WOULD ALSO BE MAKING THIS POINT TO CONGRESSMAN ANDERSON, SIAD DID NOT RPT NOT BRING IT UP. I SUSPECT THAT IT WAS FELT THIS VERY TENDER SUBJECT FOR SOMALI PRIDE NEED ONLY BE CONVEYED ONCE TO CONGRESSMAN ANDERSON. TWO OTHER SOMALI OFFICIALS HAVE MENTIONED THIS DECISION TO US BUT WE HAVE NOT RPT NOT AS YET BEEN INFORMED THAT IMPLEMENTING ACTION HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

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